'Patience Always' —Ex-Magistrate

Patience is the keynote for magistrates, members of the Victoria Bar Association were told yesterday.

The speaker could qualify as an expert. He was Henry C. Hall, just retired after almost 23 years as police magistrate for Victoria, Saanich, Oak Bay and Esquimalt, and guest-of-honor at yesterday's luncheon meeting in the Pacific Club.

Magistrate Hall was presented with a gaily-lined smoking jacket by association members, and T. P. O'Grady, city solicitor and prosecutor, making the presentation, added a wish for "God speed and a long and happy retirement."

"This meeting," said Magistrate Hall, "means a good deal to me—especially as so many here were not present when I was called to the bar. In fact, there's only one here I can remember from those days: Arthur Crease."

It was while recalling his years on the bench that Mr. Hall emphasized the need for patience.

"A driver comes before you charged with exceeding 30 miles an hour. He is brought in by a constable who is perfectly well informed. He brings with him two friends as witnesses, one of whom it turns out had been watching that speedometer every minute of the time.

"Still, you must listen with patience to everything that is said.

"A magistrate needs to be a mind-reader; he has to be tolerant; he has to carry on with integrity—and it is taken for granted that these things are so.

Magistrate Hall said he was looking forward to the trip he and his daughter plan shortly to Europe by way of the Panama Canal.

Leisure Ahead

Looking forward with obvious pleasure to years of relaxed leisure is retired Magistrate Henry C. Hall, as he tries on smoking jacket presented yesterday by Victoria Bar Association. Approving material is association president E. E. Pearlman, right.—(Colonist photo)

Newfoundland Quiet

GRAND FALLS, Nfld. (CP)—An uneasy truce brought a day of quiet to strife-torn central Newfoundland Wednesday while a Newfoundland policeman lay critically ill with injuries suffered in a clash Tuesday between police and picketing loggers.

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The streets of Badger, 20 miles west of here, were empty of picketers and a few RCMP constables patrolled the streets in cars.

It was near Badger that police and pickets tangled in the most violent disturbance since 1,200 loggers went on strike against the Anglo-Newfoundland Pulp and Paper Company Dec. 31.

Hospital authorities said the condition of Constable William J. Moss, 24, of St. John's, was unchanged. Earlier, it was described as "hopeless." Constable Moss suffered a fractured skull and brain damage.

The Brotherhood of Newfoundland Wood Workers (Ind), a loggers' union formed by Premier Smallwood to replace the decertified IWA, said that agreement was near on a working agreement with Anglo-Newfoundland.

Max Lane, a Liberal member of the Newfoundland legislature and temporary president of the BNWW, said a contract might be signed today. Mr. Lane estimated earlier that membership totalled about 3,000.

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'Loggers Clubbed'

TORONTO (CP)—The Star published on its front page yesterday a dispatch from Ray Timson, a reporter it sent to Badger, Nfld., which describes Tuesday's clash between RCMP, Newfoundland police and striking loggers as "a dark hour for Canada's finest."

"A column of 66 policemen waded into a throng of striking loggers last night, clubbed two of them unconscious, flattened dozens more while wives and children screamed for them to stop.

"At the height of the club-swinging, which occurred beside the Full Gospel Church, children stood watching and began crying. Their mothers cried with them.

A member of the Newfoundland Constabulary was struck in the face with a piece of wood and critically injured. An RCMP officer was punched in the face.

Timson says "both blows were struck after the police started wielding billies."

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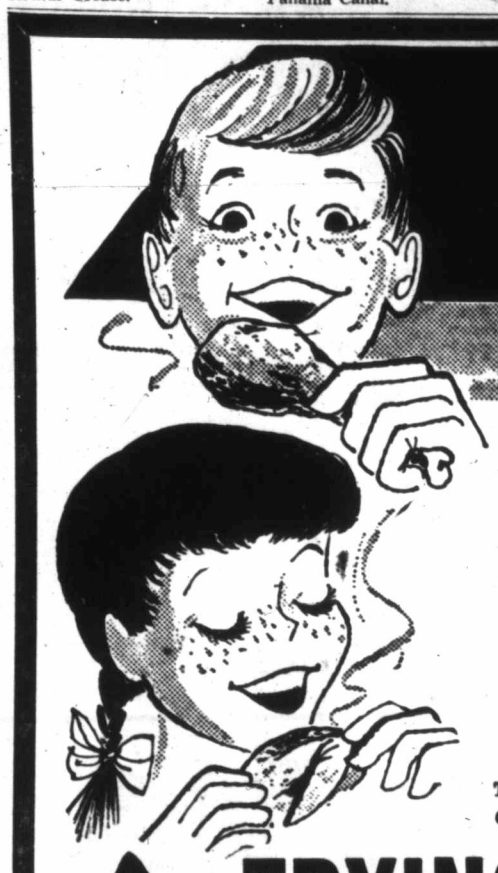

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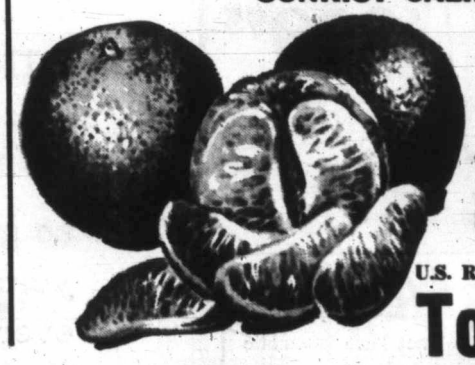

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